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Dear [REDACTED]

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I assume by this time you know from other correspondence that [REDACTED] is being transferred from [REDACTED] on or about 1 December. I also assume that you are familiar with [REDACTED] general conduct on [REDACTED]

From this distance it appears that he has done an adequate job from a purely professional standpoint but has caused some difficulty in that he absented himself from duty without authority on one or possibly two occasions in order to be able to attend social functions. This caused his promotion from Grade 7 to Grade 9 to be held up for some time.

I also understand that his choice of friends outside of our own organization has not been too good, despite the fact that he was advised of the inadvisability of making some of the contacts with whom he has been most intimate. Recently he is alleged to have been very indiscreet, to say the least, in his discussion with these undesirable contacts of official matters which were discussed at a [REDACTED] staff meeting.

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[REDACTED] recommended his transfer to [REDACTED] and then later, after discussing the whole thing with [REDACTED], recommended that the transfer be held in abeyance. However it seemed crystal clear to me that [REDACTED] continued presence on [REDACTED] was undesirable. I therefore insisted on the transfer, which I found rather hard to do in view of the fact that I knew that it was not going to be very easy for him to make the move to [REDACTED] with two babies. As you know the latest arrival will be only about three months old and the oldest will be slightly over a year. I realize that this may be an unwelcome assignment to dump into your lap but I will appreciate it if you will do whatever is possible in [REDACTED] to facilitate their arrival and establishment at that location.

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I suppose [REDACTED] has what it takes professionally but it will be necessary for us to crack the whip over him until he sees the light in some respects. I do not anticipate any further promotion for him during his overseas assignment and will insist that he return to Washington after he has completed his two years of overseas duty.

Sincerely,

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